

us sat Mr. (now Sir John) J. S. Willison and Mr. Joseph Tarte. These two engaged in an argument that involved Quebec and Ontario. As Mr. Tarte seemed to be floundering, George, being a fellow-resident of Montreal, leaned forward and in a stage whisper urged him to "deal in glittering generalities."

It is quite right, and natural, to suppose that a man of George Ham's popularity would be the object from time to time of a great many presentations. He has run the whole gamut, from bedroom slippers to gold watches and travelling companions. He has received travelling companions almost to the point of embarrassment, just like the bride of thirty years ago used to receive cruet stands. And the worst of it is he has never liked the formality of a presentation, and he has been heard to say that he would rather receive an increase in salary any day than have to reply to a presentation of two gold cuff links suitably engraved. I recall an occasion when he tried to hide from a committee that had bought something handsome to give to him. He had accompanied the members of the Ontario Legislature to inspect the Agricultural College at Guelph, and on the way back, shortly after leaving the